

April 29, 2020

Dear Colleagues,

I hope this notice finds you and yours doing well and taking good care. Thank you for all you are doing for students in these uncertain and unique times.

I am writing with an update to the College Bound Scholarship application deadline. On April 7, 2020, WSAC held a College Bound Scholarship Rules hearing. We are moving forward with amending the College Bound Scholarship rules to include the following exception to the application deadline:

A special exception to the deadlines will be made for students required to sign a pledge to establish eligibility during eighth or ninth grade in the 2019-20 school year. This is due to the statewide school closure that was ordered under the state of emergency declared in response to the coronavirus pandemic. For these students only, the deadline to complete an application will be extended until November 30, 2020.

Final College Bound Scholarship rules will be adopted later this spring, but we wanted to share this program update with you sooner than later.

We are still working through some of the logistics of how this will work from a technical angle. We will keep you all posted with additional technical guidance as things develop later this spring and into the summer and fall via the College Bound Listserv and FAQ documents on www.collegebound.wa.gov

In the meantime, please keep working with your students to complete their College Bound Scholarship applications as soon as possible. I realize there are new challenges and constraints due to the school closures, so please know that we are here to help.

Thank you again for your commitment to supporting students through these difficult times.

Sincerely,

Sarah Weiss

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